# District III Advisory Board Minutes June 3, 2009

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The District III Advisory Board meeting was held at 7 p.m. at the Wichita Water Center at 101 E Pawnee. Ten District Advisory Board members were in attendance; seven City staff and 12 members of the public were present (one did not sign in).

#### **Members Present**

Teresa Cook Members Absent

Judy Dillard

Charlotte Foster

Staff Present

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Jim Gulick Capt. Ken Ast, WFD
Joann Hartig Janet Johnson, Neighborhood Services

John Kemp Officer Justin Whyte, Patrol East
DeWayne Kitchen Sgt. Brett Stull, Patrol South

Dustin Richey

Three members of WFD

Billie Tucker

Bill Ward Guests

Council Member Jim Skelton Listed on the last page

#### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

At 7:05 p.m. **Council Member Jim Skelton** called the meeting to order. The meeting minutes from April 1, 2009, were approved **9-0**.

#### **PUBLIC AGENDA**

### **Scheduled items**

No items

### **Non-Scheduled items**

Gay Quisenberry, Director of the Southeast Area Senior Services, introduced herself as the new director and provided information on several upcoming events of interest to seniors. She also provided printed information.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

## **Community Police Report**

Officer Justin Whyte, 34 Beat Patrol East, reported that Officer Oblinger has transferred to Patrol North, so Officer Bogle is moving from the 399 Beat to the 36 Beat. Officer Robyn Douty will be moving to the 399 Beat. He said the Planeview Activity Camp for Kids (PACK) is underway and the Hilltop Camp is slated to start June 15.

**Judy Dillard** reported she was in the area of MacArthur and Broadway when she was startled by a loud noise coming from a nearby club. **Sgt. Stull** said they haven't received any complaints on this location, but they would check it out.

Elena Ingle, 3608 Meadow Lane, said she saw an article in the Wichita Eagle about crime statistics and the areas didn't match anything she had heard before. Officer Whyte explained that in the article they used the "reporting areas" which is an internal method used by WPD and that he typically does crime stats by Neighborhood Association area and that's why it looked different to her.

**Elena** also wanted to know what can be done about the APX guy who is going around telling lies and saying that APX is the only alarm company that police respond to quickly. **Sgt. Stull** said there is no truth to what the guy is saying, he's just using these stories as a sales tactic and the City Law Department is currently looking into some of the claims being made by this sales person.

**Sgt. Stull** gave a short report in the absence of Officers Diehl (who was on a drug arrest) and Cavanaugh (who was on a day off). He said he has been working on the hot spot maps and crime is currently down in the Patrol South area. He said there are still some isolated problems such as auto thefts in the 26 Beat area. He said citizens should expect to see more bicycle patrols this summer.

(Charlotte Foster arrived at the meeting)

## **Wichita Fire Department Report**

**Captain Kenneth Ast** reported Station 22 is coming along nicely and should be near completion by the end of the month. He said District 3 had three fires last month; one occurred after an outdoor cooking incident, one was a meth lab and the other was a result of a domestic dispute where a carpet was set on fire.

Action: Receive and file.

## **BOARD AGENDA**

## **Updates, Issues and Reports**

**Council Member Skelton** said the agenda was being switched around to give the presenters time to finish at DAB 4. He reviewed why he voted the way he did on the downtown TIF. He explained that the only other options were to take money from either the City CIP or the City General Fund, which would mean fewer dollars for neighborhoods so he felt like the TIF was the lesser of two evils.

**Charlotte Foster** questioned what other streets needed to be re-done. **Council Member Skelton** said several.

**Paul Davis, 6417 S. Madison Ct.,** asked how the older, established businesses in the are would be impacted. He said he would hate to see their taxes keep going up to the point it drives them out of business.

**John Kemp** wanted to know if these new projects would impact the street improvements that had just recently been completed. **Council Member Skelton** said no.

**Charlotte Foster** said she is having problems with loud music coming from one particular property and the police won't do anything about it.

**DeWayne Kitchen** said he would like to see Planeview benefit from some of the stimulus money that will be available for distressed neighborhoods. **Council Member Skelton** said he would like to see that too and also encouraged all of the DAB members to give him input on the CIP.

**Elena Ingle, 3608 Meadow Lane,** wanted to know the status of the street curb problems that were turned in to Public Works a few months ago. **Council Member Skelton** said Public Works is going to work on those this summer. **Elena** said the intersection of Mt. Vernon and Hillside has potholes

**Charlotte Foster** said enrollment for the Summer of Discovery program at Boston Park is way down and it's because CSBG is no longer funding scholarships to those programs. **Joann Hartig** said there were mitigating factors and Charlotte should speak to Joyce Stockham at the Career Development Office about it.

**Joann Hartig** reported the South Central clean up was a success last Saturday and they filled eight and a half skids and one packer.

Action: Receive and file.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

## Location of manufactured homes, mobile homes and recreational vehicles.

Randy Sparkman, Independent Governmental Consultant, working for attorney Bob Kaplan presented a proposed ordinance change regarding RVs being parked in mobile home parks. The changes he is proposing include: Sec. 26.04.010. Definitions.

'Self-contained recreational vehicle' means a recreational vehicle which was originally designed and manufactured for utilization as a recreational vehicle and which is less than fifteen years old. A self-contained recreational vehicle shall be equipped with a fully functioning toilet with a self-contained waste collection tank; a shower or bathtub; one or more sinks, each with connections to an on-board potable water supply with both hot and cold running water and a water refuse tank and/or ground connections for gray water and waste water disposal installed in accordance with manufacturer's instructions and as per city approved design standard.

## Sec. 26.04.020. Location of manufactured homes, mobile homes and recreational vehicles.

(d) A recreational vehicle may occupy a manufactured home space or mobile home space in a park for a period not to exceed thirty days, provided a service building as required for a camp is within two hundred feet of the space so occupied. Under no circumstances shall the number of manufactured home spaces and/or mobile home spaces within a park be occupied by recreational vehicles or self-contained recreational vehicles in excess of five percent of the total number of

manufactured home spaces and/or mobile home spaces provided, or a total of two, whichever is larger.

(e) A self-contained recreational vehicle may occupy a manufactured home space or mobile home space in a park for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days, without providing a service building as required for a camp, provided that an approved sewage system is available for each self-contained recreational vehicle. If no approved sewage system is available, then an approved gray water and waste water dump station shall be provided. Under no circumstances shall the number of manufactured home spaces and/or mobile home spaces within a park be occupied by self-contained recreational vehicles or recreational vehicles in excess of five percent of the total number of manufactured home spaces and/or mobile home spaces provided, or a total of two, whichever is larger.

**Teresa Cook** asked what kind of hardship this would put on owners of older rvs that aren't necessarily self-contained. **Sparkman** said they can't be forced out of a park so it won't affect them.

**Judy Dillard** said the \$150,000 rv's that Sparkman was referring to won't go into the run down parks, they will want to go into the nice ones.

**Sparkman** said he wrote the changes so they are designed not to require any enforcement.

David Robbins, 920 Silverdale, asked about the current numbers in parks.

DeWayne Kitchen (Ward) made a motion to support the proposed change.

Action: Motion passed 10-0.

### Safe disposal of medication

Wayne Larson, Student Intern Pollution Prevention Institute Engineering Extension, presented information on the safe disposal of old medications. Citizens should NOT flush medications down the toilet. Larson said the preferred option is to take medication to the Sedgwick County Household Hazardous Waste Facility at 801 Stillwell in Wichita. This service is free but, the facility cannot accept controlled or narcotic substances. If residents cannot take their medication to the Sedgwick County collection facility, they can use the kitty litter or coffee ground method recommended by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment. This involves crushing or dissolving solid medications in water, coffee or another liquid, then making a paste by adding this liquid to a substance like coffee grounds or kitty litter, Larson said. The final step is to put the paste in a closed container and place the container in the trash.

**John Kemp** wanted to know if they could take diabetic syringes to the Stillwell location. **Larson** said no, they can't accept any "sharps."

**Elena Ingle, 3608 Meadow Lane,** wanted to know if it's okay to flush liquid medicine. **Larson** said no, it should also be taken to the Hazardous Waste facility or thrown in the trash.

**Trisha Epps, 620 W. Osie,** asked Larson if he is partnering with pharmacies. He said not on the collection of old medication, due to liability, but they are partnering on some other aspects.

**Recommended Action:** Receive and file.

**Judy Dillard** reported that she attended the Tuesday evening meeting at the WATER Center regarding river improvements. **Council Member Skelton** said there will be more to come on that topic.

# Meeting was adjourned.

The next regularly scheduled meeting for District Advisory Board III will be held at 7 p.m., July 1, 2009, at the Water Center at 101 E. Pawnee.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Johnson, Neighborhood Assistant - District III

#### Guests

Elena Ingle	3608 Meadow Lane
Bill Barnes	2707 S. Hillside
Goldie Barnes	2707 S. Hillside
David Robbins	920 Silverdale Ct.
Claudia Lee	2826 Greenwood
Donna Thorton	2714 Southfork
Trisha Epps	620 W. Osie
Gay Quisenberry	4253 E. Bayley

Wayne Larson

Randy Sparkman

Paul Davis 6417 Madison Ct.